

To Whom it may Concern:

I was watching television last night and noticed a commercial for a showing of Saving Private Ryan on Thursday, Veterans Day. I thought it was nice of ABC to recognize veterans that way. I have seen the movie before and realize the foul language and graphic violence. The warning on the commercial was appropriate I believe it came with a Mature rating and discretion to parents. I heard today that my local abc channel was not airing the movie on account of your regulations. I was very upset because I think it is an excellent movie even though it may be a little harsh. It was a bad decision on your part to force local stations to cancel the show. If you air a warning to parents about the offensive material there is absolutely no reason why the movie should not be shown. If parents are not responsible enough to monitor what their own children are watching on television then you would pretty much have to cut half the shows off the air. If you did that, the television business would go to the dogs. So please, if you are worried about parents not protecting their children, don't be so over protective next time and don't cancel shows other people want to see. Thank you for your time.

Sincerely, Blake Baxter (age 16)